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Applicants : Markus OECHSLE et al.

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For : DEVICE FOR DETERMINING THE  
CHARACTERISTICS OF A RUNNING  
MATERIAL

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner For Patents  
PO Box 1450,  
Alexandria, Virginia 23313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the following information is brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration during examination of the instant application.

Applicant submits herewith a copy of copending application No. 09/936,526 which was cited by the Examiner in the instant application as part of a double patenting rejection. For the Examiner's convenience, Applicant also submits copies of the documents made of record in the copending application.

- (1) US Patent Application No. 09/936,526;
- (2) DE 39 01 378;
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 4,614,044 to Gerhard FIEDLER et al.;

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- (4) DE 32 34 598;
- (5) GB 1 266 221 to William ADAMS et al.;
- (6) U.S. Patent No. 5,377,428 to Ralph CLARK;
- (7) GB 1 247 891 to Richard HICKMAN et al.;
- (8) U.S. Patent No. 5,715,158 to Shih-Chin CHEN;
- (9) DE 35 39 354;
- (10) WO 99 04090 to Taisto HUHTELIN et al.;
- (11) U.S. Patent No. 4,204,337 to Friedrich ROOS et al.;
- (12) U.S. Patent No. 3,961,425 to S. SWANSON et al.;
- (13) U.S. Patent No. 5,071,514 to Kenneth FRANCIS;
- (14) DE 195 10 009;
- (15) U.S. Patent No. 5,540,000 to John ROSENBURGH et al.;
- (16) GOERTZ: "Neue Beispiele für die Effizienz von Trockenpartieuntersuchungen"

DAS PAPIER, no. 12, 1995, pages 771-775, XP000907079;

- (17) TAPPI Proceedings 1992 Engineering Conference", p. 629-638 and 639-654;
- (18) "Pulp & Paper Canada", 98:12(1997), p 111-113;
- (19) DE 198 44 927.5;
- (20) U.S. Patent No. 6,254,726 to STEINER et al.;
- (21) DE 198 01 140;

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- (22) U.S. Patent No. 6,171,642 to KUSTERMAN;
- (23) U.S. Patent No. 6,099,620 to ARNO et al.;
- (24) U.S. Patent No. 6,024,835 to FIORE et al.;
- (25) Article titled "Measurement of Reference Experimental Drying Data For The Multi-Cylinder Paper Dryer", by Stenstrom et al., pages 1179-1186;
- (26) U.S. Patent No. 3,622,448 to ADAMS et al.;
- (27) U.S. Patent No. 3,666,621 to ADAMS;
- (28) U.S. Patent No. 3,731,520 to HICKMAN et al.;
- (29) U.S. Patent No. 5,358,606 to MAKKONEN;
- (30) DE 29 26 072 C2;
- (31) DE 196 53 477 A1;
- (32) DE 38 30 308 A1;
- (33) DE 196 54 345 A1;
- (34) DE 195 42 448 A1; and
- (35) DE 36 30 561 A1.

Copies of the above-noted documents are enclosed together with a duly completed Form PTO-1449. The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider each of these documents, and to make them of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the Form PTO-1449. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner include

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a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

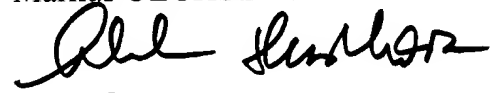
Applicant notes that this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after receipt of a Final rejection and that Applicant is unable to make the required certification. However, Applicant requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents at least because the finality of the instant rejection is improper and/or because the listed documents have already been presumably reviewed and considered by the Examiner in the copending application and the instant application, as part of the Examiner's decision to reject the two applications over each other on the grounds of double patenting. Thus, no fee is believed to be necessary for considering the listed documents.

However, if necessary, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p), to Applicant's Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed number.

Respectfully submitted,  
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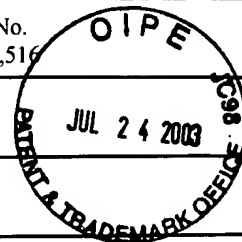


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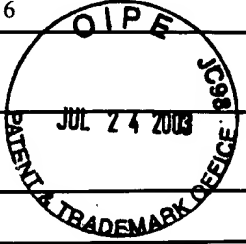
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